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SUBJ: OPIC AND ANGUILLA

1. THE EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE INTERNATIONAL BANK AND TRUST CO., LTD., HE VALLEY, ANGUILLA, THE KEY PARAGRAPHS OF WHICH READ:

QUOTE: WE ARE NOW TRYING TO DETERMINE THE AVAILABILITY OF PIC PROGRAMS FOR ANGUILLA. ACCORDING TO CURRENT LITERATURE AND RECENT DISCUSSIONS WITH THEIR WASHINGTON STAFF THE ISLAND STILL QUALIFIES AS A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATED STATE OF ST. KITTS-NEVIS-ANGUILLA. HOWEVER, SINCE ANGUILLA HAS LEFT THAT RELATIONSHIP AND HAS OBTAINED A NEW CONSTITUTION FROM GREAT BRITAIN THE ISLAND'S QUALIFICATION FOR OPIC PROGRAMS IS IN DOUBT.

IT IS OUR OPINION THAT ECONOMIC FACTS HAVE NOT AND WILL NOT CHANGE AS A RESULT OF THE POLITICAL CHANGE, AND THAT OPIC'S ORIGINAL PURPOSE IN QUALIFYING ANGUILLA IS STILL INTACT.

WE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE THE SERVICE OF YOUR OFFICE IN SUGGESTING HOW WE MIGHT OBTAIN A DETERMINATION OF ANGUILLA'S STATUS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE. IF THIS DETERMINATION IS FAVORABLE WE WILL THEN PROCEED WITH PROPOSALS FOR SUBMISSION TO OPIC. END QUOTE

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2. ACTION REQUESTED: POST WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S AND OPIC'S GUIDANCE PRIOR TO ANSWERING THE LETTER.  
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